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Answers to last-minute property tax questions

YOUNGSTOWN -- Property owners in Mahoning County have until March 15, 2007 to pay first-half taxes without penalties. The staff in the Mahoning County Treasurer's Office fields a number of questions at this time of year. Here are answers to the most frequently-asked questions.

Q. Do I still have time to mail my payment?

A. Yes. Any payment that is postmarked on or before March 15, 2007, will be accepted as on-time.

Q. I don't have my bill. What should I do?

A. Call the Treasurer's Office at (330) 740-2460 to verify the amount due. Write the parcel number of your property on your check or money order when you send your payment. The parcel number is a 12-digit number that identifies your property. Mail your payment to Lisa A. Antonini, Mahoning County Treasurer, 120 Market St., Youngstown, OH 44503. You also may have a new bill printed if you pay in person at the Treasurer's Office, which is in the Mahoning County Courthouse. Hours are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. weekdays.

Q. I own more than one piece of property. May I write one check for the total amount of taxes?

A. Yes, but please provide the parcel numbers of all properties with your payment. Write the parcel numbers on the memo line of your check, or enclose a note with your parcel numbers.

Q. This is 2007. Why does my tax bill say 1st Half 2006?

A. In Ohio, property taxes are always collected one year in arrears.

Q. What happens if I don't pay the full amount of property taxes by March 15?

A. By state law, a 10 percent penalty on the balance will be assessed after the due date.